The Progressive Era

*(approx. 1890-1920)*

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| **Study Terms and Concepts** | **Identification** | **Analysis and Critical Thinking** |
| Muckraker |  |  |
| Jacob Riis |  | What were some of the major issues faced by people living in city tenements? |
| Ida Tarbell |  |  |
| Triangle Shirtwaist Factory Fire |  | How did incidents like the Triangle Shirtwaist Factory Fire initiate a shift away from “social Darwinism?” |
| Upton Sinclair |  |  |
| Muller v. Oregon |  |  |
| Federal Workmen’s Compensation Act  Adamson Act  Keating-Owen Child Labor Act |  | To what degree do you feel that the government should be involved in fair business practices? Should companies have a right to operate in a way to make the most profit possible or do they have a moral or ethical obligations to treat their employees fairly? |
| Women’s Christian Temperance Movement |  |  |
| 16th Amendment |  |  |
| Prohibition/  18th Amendment |  | Did the 18th Amendment have the intended impact on United States society? What types of industries and businesses resulted from the 18th Amendment and Prohibition? |
| National American Women’s Suffrage Act |  |  |
| 19th Amendment |  |  |
| Disenfranchise |  | What methods were used to disenfranchise voters? Who were these measured aimed at and were they effective? |
| W.E.B. Du Bois |  |  |
| NAACP |  |  |
| The Great Migration |  |  |
| Plessey v. Ferguson |  | How does the Supreme Court justify their decision in the landmark case of Plessey v. Ferguson? What impact does this decision have on everyday live in the South for African Americans? |
| Jim Crow Laws |  |  |
| Woodrow Wilson |  | What does Wilson see as the new responsibility of Americans? |
| Clayton Antitrust Act |  |  |
| Conservation/  Preservation |  | How did the Pendleton Act make democracy more accessible for many American citizens? |
| Federal Trade Commission |  |  |

**Essential Questions for the Progressive Era:**

* Why does immigration lead to social, political, and economic conflict and change?
* In a free market system, how do you balance the needs of workers vs. the needs of business owners?
* Are labor unions good for a nation?
* How should people being discriminated against fight for equality?
* Who is the most progressive president? Who is the least? Why?
* Which reforms are most important to the American system?
* Is there such thing as "too much" reform?
* What are the reform issues today?